

The following provides an overview of neighbourhood assets and potential barriers/gaps for older adults. The features were identified through a structured assessment in May 2023. As such, this summary should be viewed as an overview of key features observed rather than an exhaustive list.

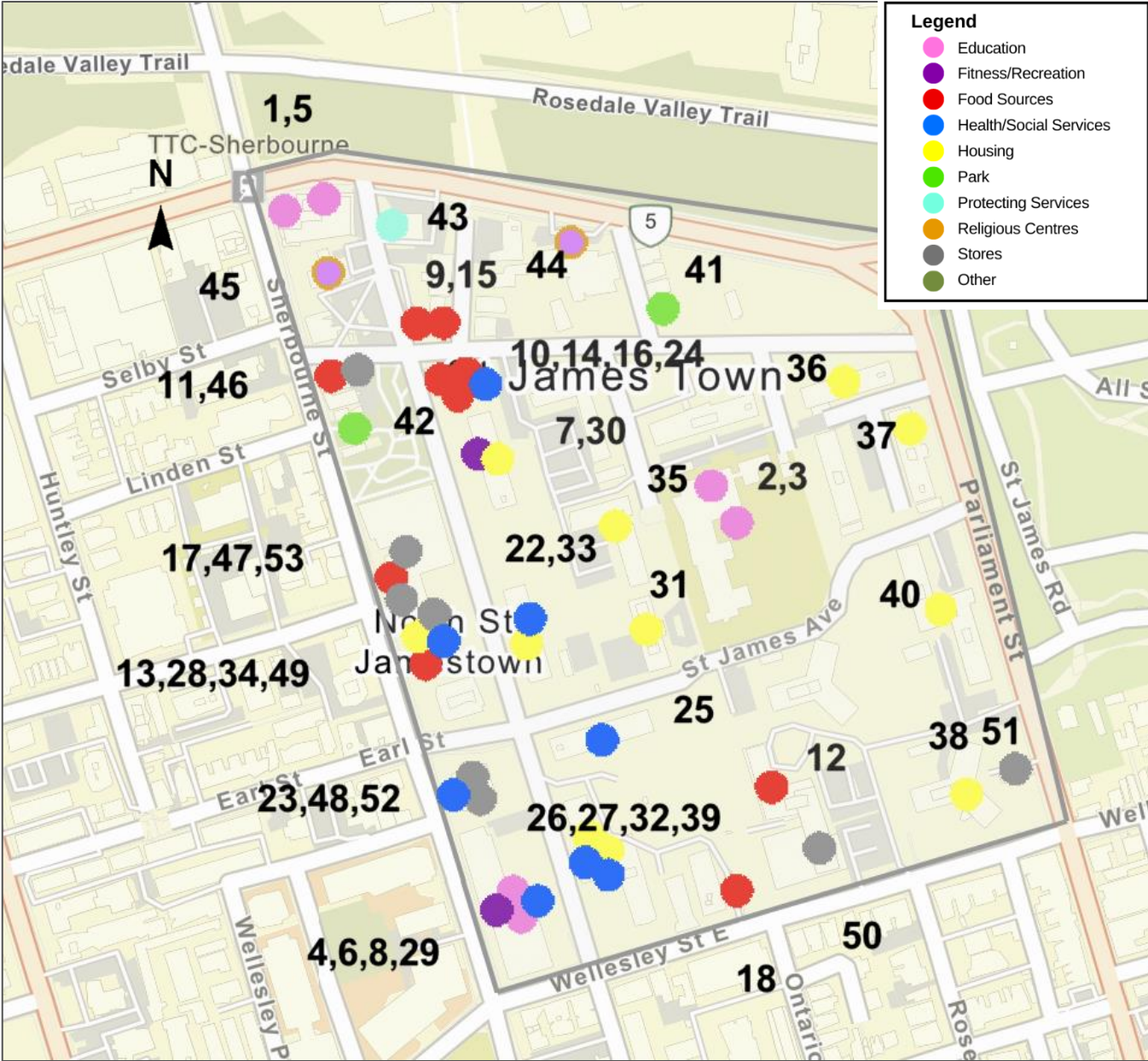
A large proportion of the St. James Town neighbourhood appeared to be residential. Specifically, housing mainly consisted of several aged apartment buildings that are clustered within a small radius. Within a pocket of the neighbourhood, there was a hub of apartment buildings and at the heart was an elementary school with an attached childcare centre. There also appeared to be many traffic signs to promote safety for children and families. There were a small number of newer condominium buildings with retail shops on the ground floor along Sherbourne Street. Further, along Wellesley Street, there was a construction site that was advertised to be building a new condominium. Although the main mode of transportation appeared to be walking, major bus routes ran along the main roads that bordered St. James Town. Further, a major subway line was accessible at the corner of Sherbourne Street and Bloor Street East.

Although there were large green spaces directly outside of the neighbourhood along Bloor Street East and Parliament Street, there was only one small green space, St. James Town West Park. The main roads along the boundaries of the neighbourhood were busy with car traffic while the residential streets had very few cars and most people observed to be walking. While there were no private fitness centres or programs noted, the focus in the neighbourhood was the Wellesley Community Centre, run by the City of Toronto. It appeared to be a community hub that includes, but is not limited to, weight rooms, a gymnasium, fitness programs, swimming, several sport leagues. The neighbourhood appeared to be ethnically and linguistically diverse, as many of the programs advertised by the Community Centre were translated in multiple languages. Further, people walking in the public buildings and streets were mainly visible minorities.

St. James Town had two places of worship: the Church of St. Peter and St. Simon Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church. There were few retail shops and services within the boundaries. Notably, there are two discount grocery stores (i.e., No Frills and Food Basics), and some convenience stores and fast-food restaurants. Behind the community centre, there also appeared to be a local hub that consisted of street vendors selling a number of different items. There were several social support services, such as the Fred Victor St. James Outreach Program, Lourdes Food Bank, St. James Town Community Corner, and those offered by the Wellesley Community Center. However, there were few health clinics and services within the neighbourhood. For older adults or people with disabilities, limited availability of health services within the community may act as a barrier to access necessary health care.

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Map of services identified in St. James Town



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Index of services in St. James Town

Index Number	Description
Education	
1	Georgian@ILAC
2	Rose Avenue Child Care Centre
3	Rose Avenue Junior Public School
4	Toronto Public Library
5	triOS College - Toronto Campus
6	Wellesley Early Learning Centre
Fitness/Recreation	
7	Bleecker Street Basketball Court
8	Wellesley Community Centre
Food Sources	
9	Awaze Halal
10	Chester Fried Chicken Express
11	Eggsmart
12	Food Basics*
13	FreshCo*
14	Howard's Convenience store
15	Liyu Whole Food Store*
16	Manila Sentro Filipino Cuisine
17	Paul's Roti Shop
18	Sunny Green Fruit and Vegetable Limited*
19	Tim Hortons
20	Tinuno
21	Wine Rack
	*Grocery and/or whole food stores
Health/Social Services	
22	Fred Victor St. James Outreach Program
23	Art City St James Town
24	Jorge Jose Dental Clinic
25	Lourdes Food Bank
26	St James Town Temporary COVID-19 Testing
27	St James Town Community Corner The Corner @200
28	Sunshine Health And Spa
29	Wellesley Community Centre
Housing	
30	375 Bleecker St.
31	666 Ontario St.
32	Friends At 200 Wellesley Street
33	Greenwin Inc.
34	Harrington Housing
35	Ranee Management Toronto Rentals
36,37	Rose Park
38	The Halifax
39	Toronto Community Housing Corporation
40	Six Fifty Parliament Residences Ltd
Parks	
41	60 Howard St. Park St. James
42	Town West Park
Protective Services and Transportation	
43	Toronto Fire Station 313
Religious Centres	
44	Church of St. Peter and St. Simon
45	Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church
Retail	
46	Ambassador Cleaners
47	chatr Mobile
48	Dollar Prince
49	emotivashop
50	Fast Tech Cellular
51	New World Laundry
52	Sherbourne Variety & Gift
53	Shoppers Drug Mart



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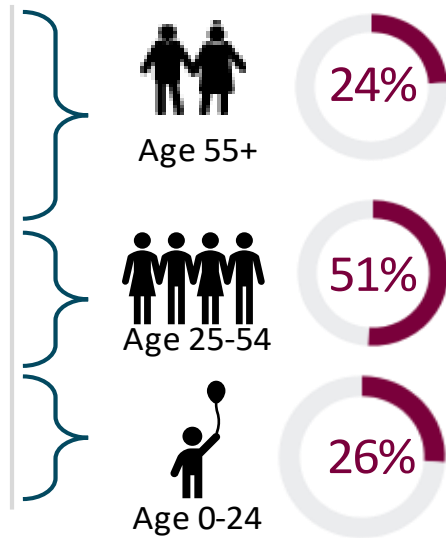
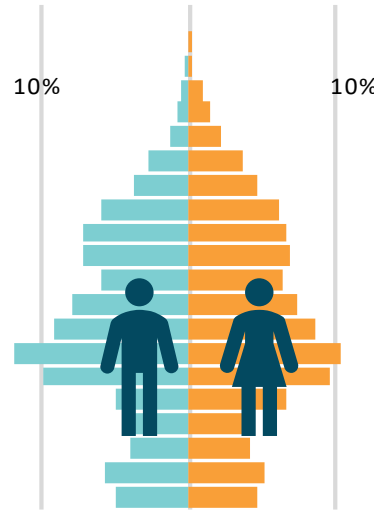
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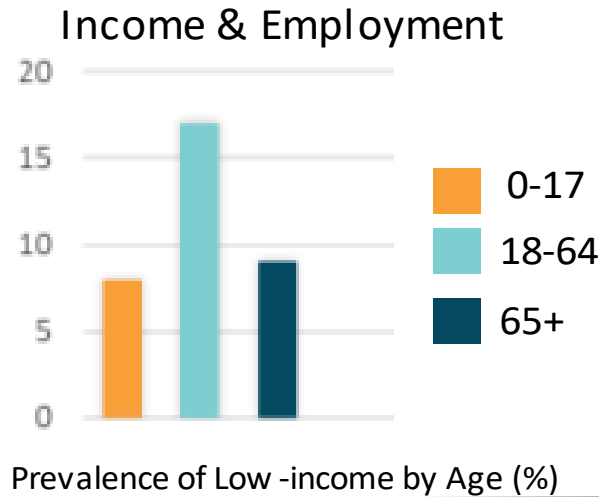
CT Highlights

- Population**
= 13,770
- Number of Homes**
= 7,564
- Population Density**
= 54,162/Km²
- 5-year Population change** = 0.4%

Age Distribution by Gender



\$35,900
Average Income (after tax)

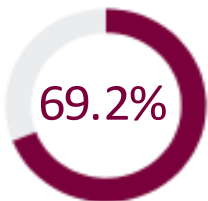


18%
Unemployment Rate

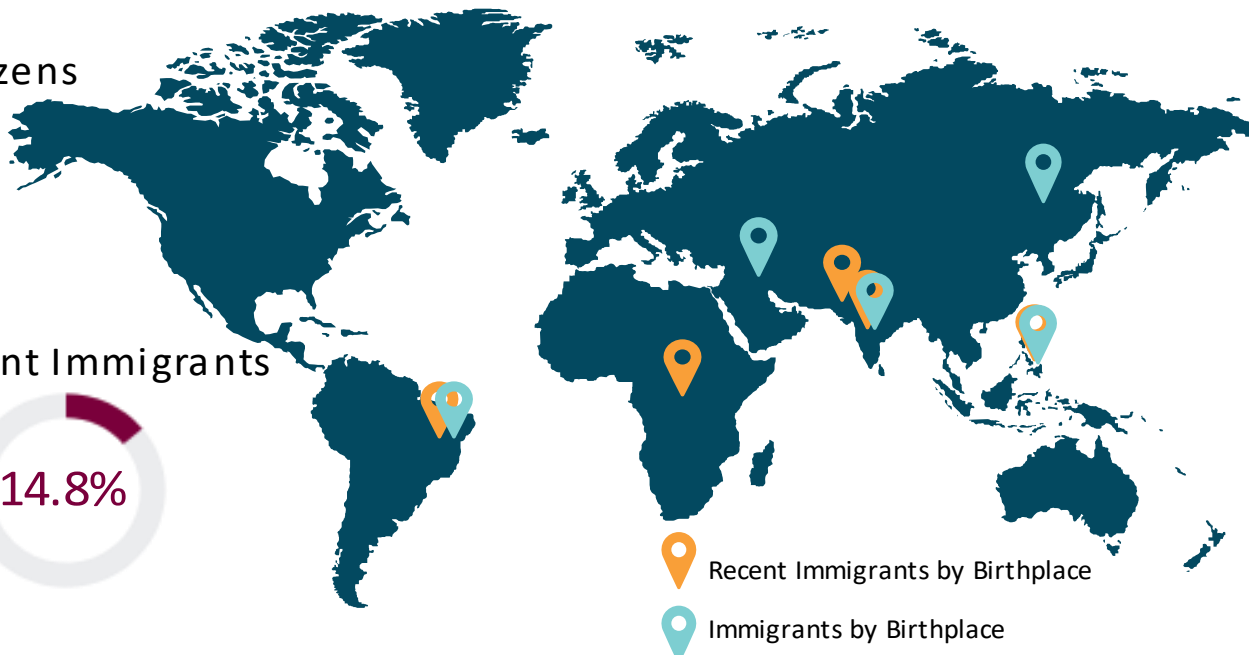
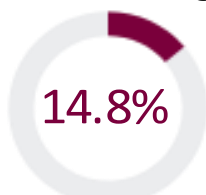
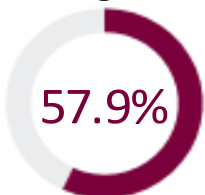


Citizenship & Immigrant Population

Canadian Citizens



Immigrants Recent Immigrants

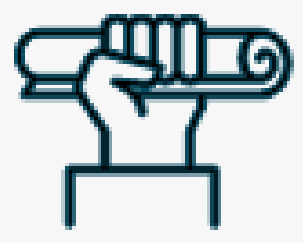
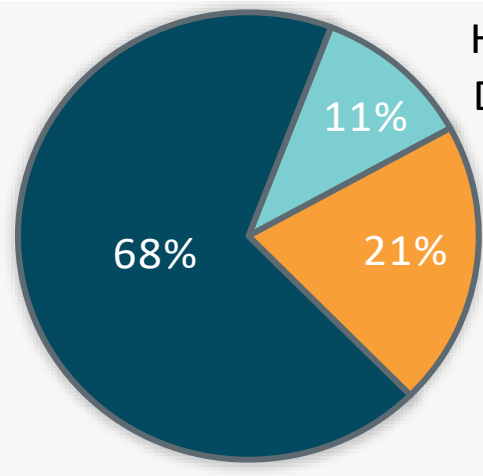


Language Spoken at Home



English | 40.6%
Non-official Languages | 30.5%

Highest Certificate, Diploma or Degree

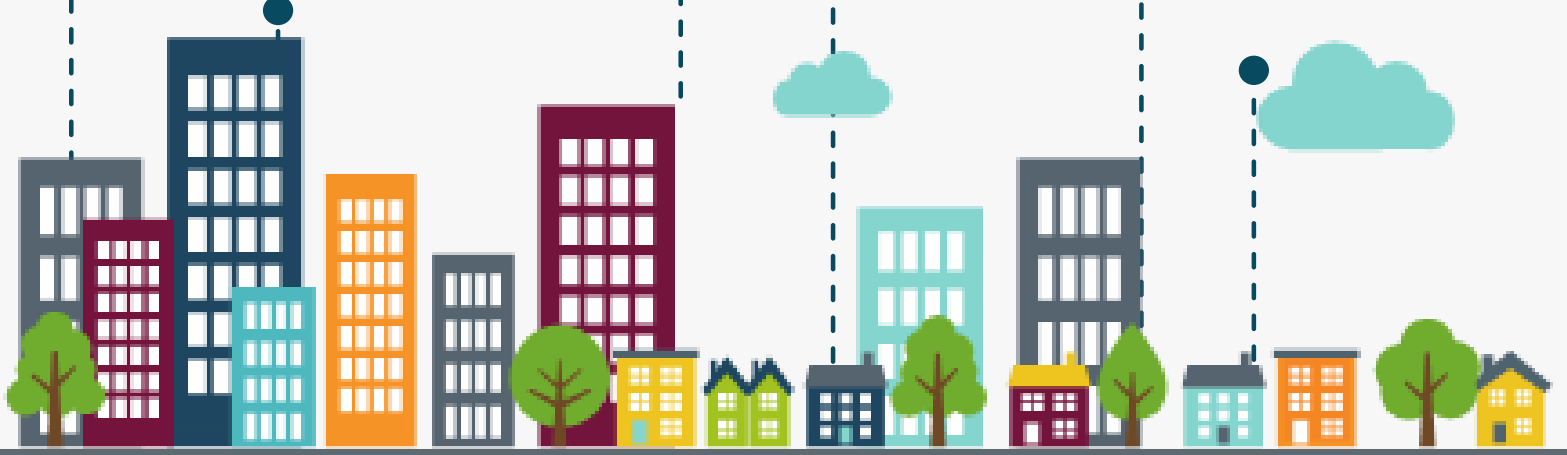
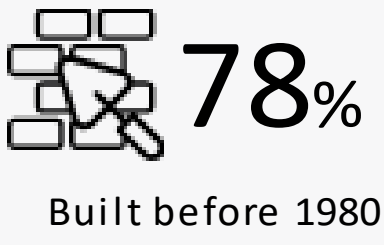
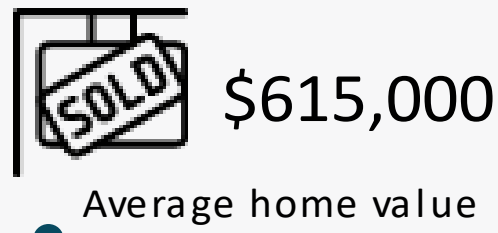
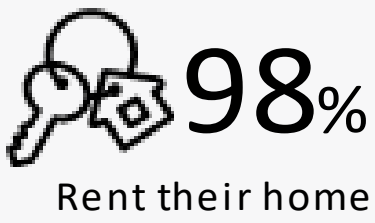


No certificate, diploma or degree
Secondary (high) school diploma or equivalency
Postsecondary certificate, diploma or degree

Neighbourhood Homes



Average monthly shelter costs



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